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S. 2954

To establish the Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology Scholarship Program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 27, 2000

Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. CLELAND) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

To establish the Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology
Scholarship Program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Dr. Nancy Foster Ma-
5 rine Biology Scholarship Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. NANCY FOSTER MARINE BIOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP**
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Commerce
9 shall establish in the Department of Commerce the Dr.
10 Nancy Foster Marine Biology Scholarship Program for

1 the award and administration of graduate education schol-
2 arships in marine biological or oceanographic science stud-
3 ies, to be known as “Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology
4 Scholarships”.

5 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Dr. Nancy Foster
6 Marine Biology Scholarship Program is to recognize out-
7 standing scholarship by a woman or a member of a minor-
8 ity group in marine biological or oceanographic science
9 studies and encourage independent graduate level research
10 in marine biology.

11 (c) AWARD.—Each Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology
12 Scholarship award—

13 (1) shall be used to support a candidate’s grad-
14 uate studies in marine biology or oceanographic
15 science at a sponsoring institution; and

16 (2) shall be made available to individual can-
17 didates in accordance with guidelines issued by the
18 Secretary.

19 (d) DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS.—The amount of each
20 Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology Scholarship shall be
21 provided directly to each recipient selected by the Sec-
22 retary upon receipt of certification that the recipient will
23 adhere to a specific and detailed plan of study and re-
24 search approved by the sponsoring institution.

1 (e) FUNDING.—The Secretary shall make 1 percent
2 of the amount appropriated each fiscal year to carry out
3 the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (46 U.S.C. 1431 et
4 seq.) available for Dr. Nancy Foster Marine Biology
5 Scholarships.

6 (f) SCHOLARSHIP REPAYMENT PROVISIONS.—Repay-
7 ment of the award shall be made to the Secretary in the
8 case of fraud or noncompliance.

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